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Replace the paragraph at page 1, lines 2 through 5 with the below paragraph marked up by way of bracketing and underlining to show the changes relative to the previous version of the paragraph.

RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a continuation of PCT/US00/19966 filed 22 July 2000, which claims the benefit of 60/145,044 filed 22 July 1999, the teachings of which are incorporated herein by reference in their entirety.

Claim Amendments Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(c)(1)(ii)

1. (Amended) A method of identifying a cDNA construct wherein the cDNA construct expresses a tagged polypeptide having a biochemical activity of interest comprising the steps of:
 - a) preparing a tagged cDNA expression library comprising bacterial cells comprising tagged cDNA plasmid constructs;
 - b) culturing the bacterial cells of step a) to produce clones wherein each clone corresponds to a single tagged cDNA construct;
 - c) arraying the individual bacterial clones;
 - d) pooling a predetermined number of arrayed clones and isolating plasmid DNA from them;
 - e) transfected suitable mammalian host cells with the pooled plasmid clones and maintaining the transfected cells under conditions suitable for the expression of the tagged cDNA construct, thereby producing tagged polypeptides;

- f) assaying the expressed tagged polypeptides for a biochemical activity of interest; and
- g) repeating steps d) through f) one or more times,

thereby identifying a [pool of clones comprising a] cDNA construct [expressing a] encoding the tagged polypeptide having [a] the biochemical activity of interest.

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